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1. SUMMARY. ON EVE OF CIEC HIGH-LEVEL AND MINISTERIAL MEETINGS, JAPANESE WORKING LEVEL OFFICIALS ARE RELATIVELY PESSIMISTIC ABOUT ACHIEVING REAL RESULTS. THEY FEEL THERE IS A CHANCE, HOWEVER, THAT SOME SORT OF AN ENERGY DIALOGUE WILL BE CONTINUED AND THAT THIS WOULD BE GOOD. END SUMMARY.

2. ALTHOUGH WE REALIZE THAT U.S. DELEGATION TO CIEC IS WELL AWARE OF JAPANESE THINKING ON CIEC ISSUES, THE FOLLOWING GENERAL COMMENTS MAY BE OF INTEREST. THEY ARE BASED ON DISCUSSIONS WITH KARITA (FOREIGN OFFICE) ANAND KINOSHITA (MITI) (PROTECT BOTH) DURING THE BUSY HOURS JUST PRIOR TO THEIR DEPARTURE FOR PARIS, ON THE OCCASION OF PASSING TO THEM THE TEXT OF THE INTENDED DEMARCHE TO THE G-19 CAPITALS (REFTEL).

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3. KARITA FEELS THAT THERE IS A REASONABLE CHANCE OF AGREEMENT WITH THE G-19 ON WHAT HE CALLED THE "SECOND PRIORITY ITEMS": PURCHASING POWER, STABILIZATION OF EXPORT EARNINGS, AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT DECADE, OPEC ASSETS, AND TRADE ITEMS. HE WAS LESS OPTIMISTIC, HOWEVER, ABOUT THE "KEY ISSUES": THE COMMON FUND, THE SPECIAL ACTION FUND, AND INCREASED ODA. HE IS CONCERNED THAT THE G-19

MAY DEMAND MORE ON THESE POINTS THAN THE G-8 IS PREPARED TO OFFER, PARTIALLY BECAUSE THE G-19 DOES NOT ENJOY THE FULL CONFIDENCE OF THE G-77 ON WHOSE BEHALF IT IS NEGOTIATING. HE BELIEVES IT IS IMPORTANT, HOWEVER, THAT CIEC SUCCEED IN SOME MEASURE, IF ONLY TO STRENGTHEN THE HAND OF THE G-19 MODERATES WHO HAVE ARGUED (AGAINST THE RADICALS LIKE ALGERIA) THAT THERE IS SOME VALUE IN A DIALOGUE WITH THE DEVELOPED WORLD. HE FEELS THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN AN ENERGY DIALOGUE IN SOME FORM IN ORDER TO CONTINUE THE VALUABLE EDUCATIONAL PROCESS WHICH HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR THE PAST YEAR AND A HALF, BUT THAT IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO AGREE TO A WATERED-DOWN VERSION OF THE OTHER THREE COMMISSIONS IN ORDER TO GET IT.

4. KINOSHITA WAS NOT OPTIMISTIC ABOUT ACHIEVING AGREEMENT ON THE "KEY ISSUES", ALTHOUGH "APPARENT" SUCCESS IS PERHAPS ACHIEVABLE THROUGH AGREEMENTS REACHED ON THE LESSER ISSUES. THE FATE OF THE CIEC IS IN THE HANDS OF THE G-19, WHO MAY HOLD OFF AGREEING TO THE G-8 OFFER, ON THE "KEY ISSUES" IN PARTICULAR, IN THE HIGH-LEVEL GROUP MEETINGS HOPING FOR GREATER G-8 CONCESSIONS IN THE MINISTERIAL. HE DOUBTS THAT THE NON-ENERGY COMMISSIONS WILL CONTINUE, SINCE "EVERYONE IS FED UP WITH THEIR LACK OF PROGRESS." HE FEELS, THOUGH, THAT THERE IS A GOOD CHANCE OF GETTING AGREEMENT TO CONTINUING ENERGY DIALOGUE IN SOME FORM, SOMETHING WHICH THE NON-OIL PRODUCING LDCS ALSO SEEM TO WANT.

5. COMMENT. BOTH AGREED, AS THEY HAVE ALL ALONG, THAT
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U.S. AND JAPANESE POSITIONS ARE IN RELATIVE ACCORD ON ALL CIEC ISSUES. NEITHER GAVE THE SLIGHTEST INDICATION OF CONCERN THAT THE U.S. MIGHT "SHOCK" THEM BY SUDDENLY SHIFTING ITS POSITION--A CONFIDENCE REINFORCED NO DOUBT BY THE PRESIDENT'S REASSURANCES.
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